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A NEW HISTORICAL STELA OF THE INTEFS.

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The stela herewith published I found two years ago (1903) in Egypt, in the hands of a dealer who, after a little persuasion, allowed me to make a copy of it.

In places the inscription was so filled with dirt, which the owner would not permit me to remove, that it was difficult to make out the signs, and, as I had a very short time at my disposal before the departure of my steamer, I cannot vouch for the absolute accuracy of my copy. I merely saw that it related to the Intefs, and so felt that it would be of some historical value.

My drawing, herewith produced, was made from the rough and unrevised copy in my notebook, where the figures and offerings and hotep di suteni formula (ll. 15-19) had to be sketched in hurriedly at the last moment, without careful regard to their relative size and position.

In preparing this drawing for publication I have inserted "sic" in some cases where doubt was felt as to the correctness of my original copy.

The stela was of beautiful workmanship, its dimensions, roughly, as follows: height, forty inches; width, twenty-seven inches; and its material limestone.

When I asked the owner where the stela was found, his reply indicated Drah Abu-'n-Neggah, as the source of the monument, a provenance which seems highly probable, as other tombs of the same period have been found at that place, among them that of the king Wah-Ankh Intef mentioned in this very monument.

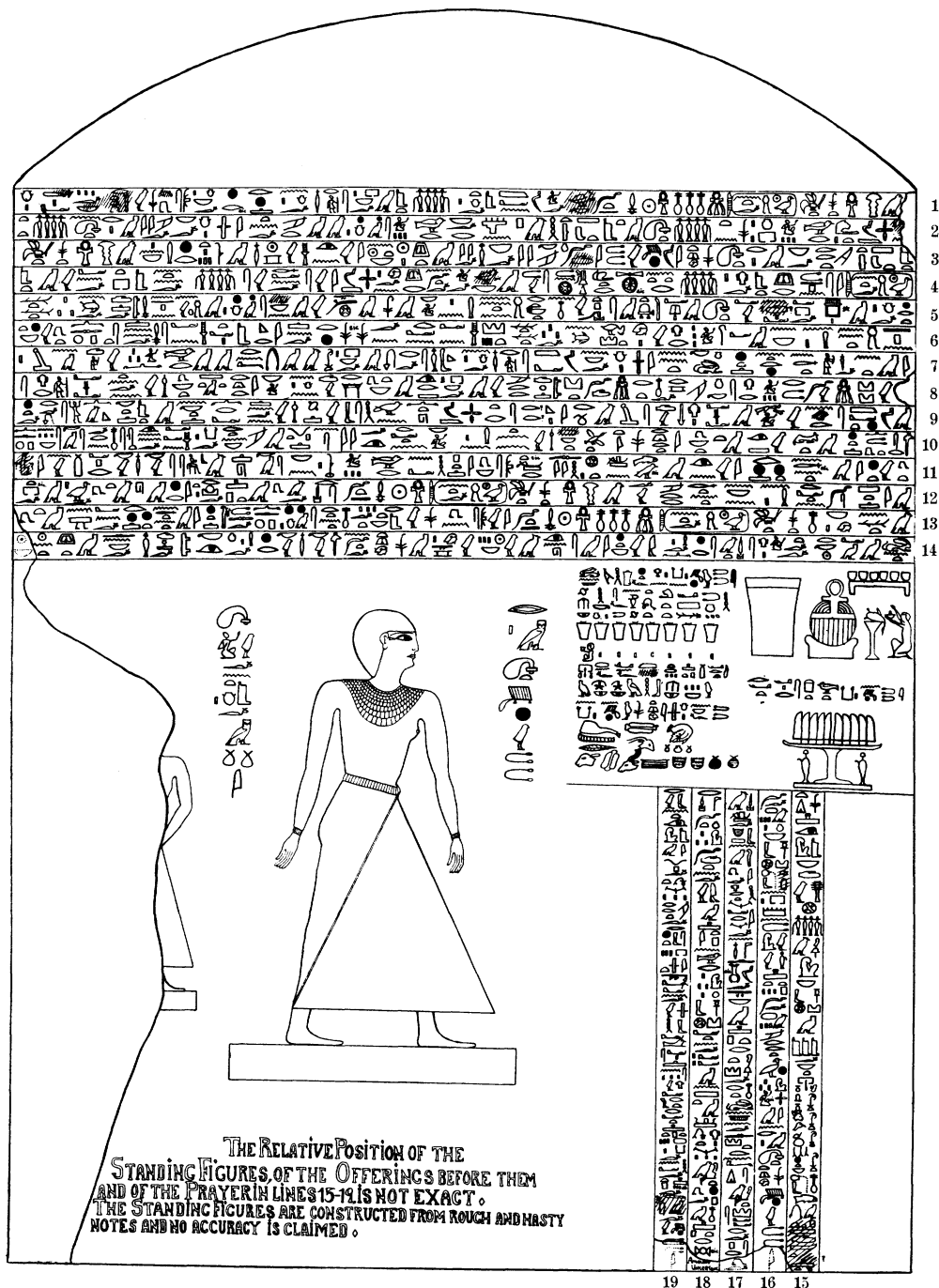


FIG. 3.—Stela of Thethi.

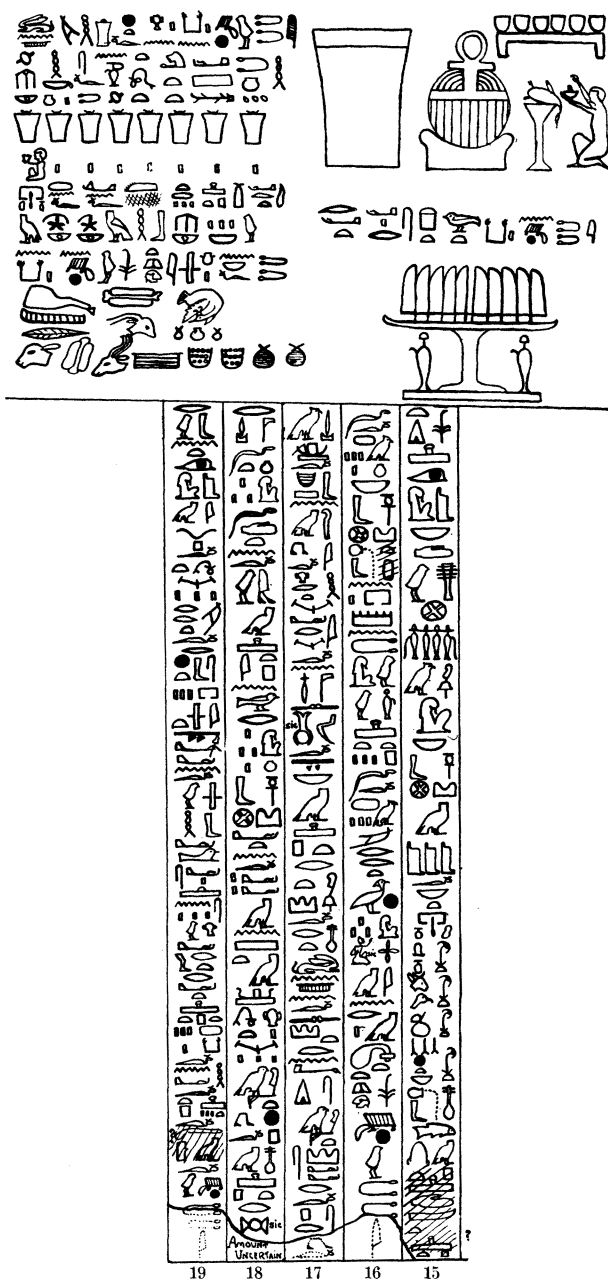
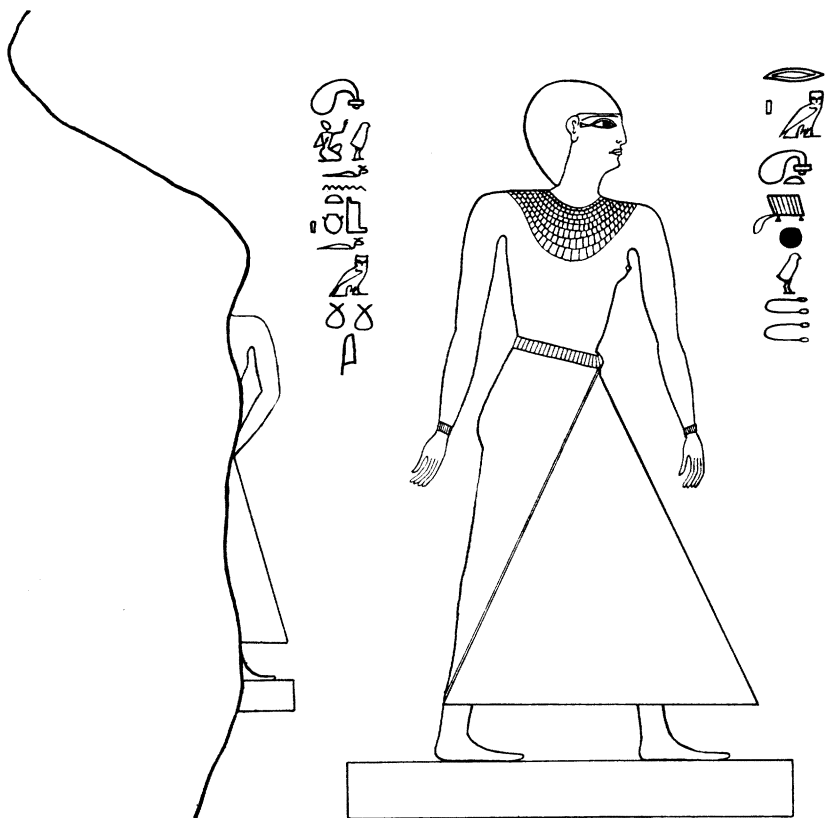
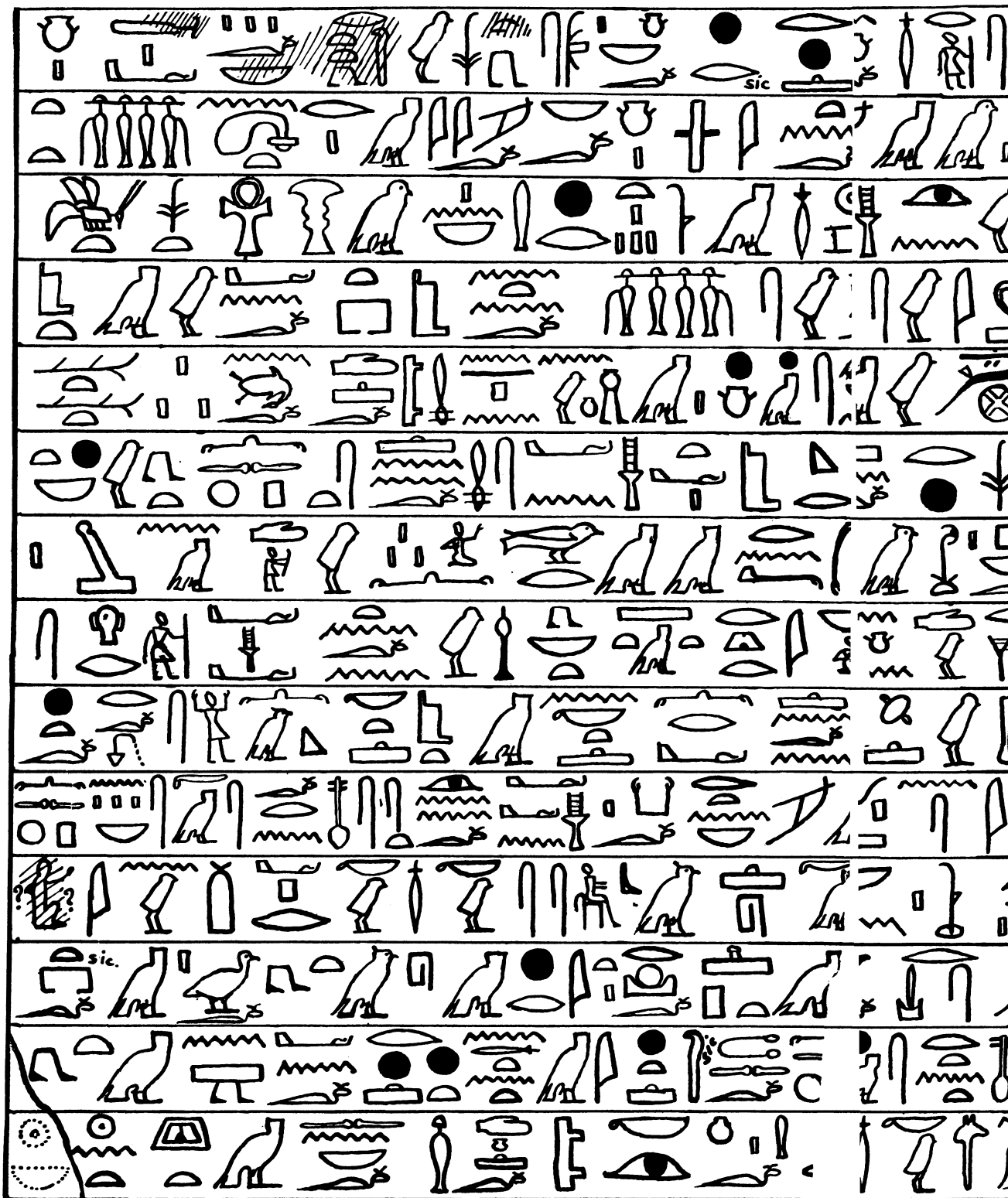


FIG. 4.—Stela of Thethi: Lower right half.



THE RELATIVE POSITION OF THE
 STANDING FIGURES, OF THE OFFERINGS BEFORE THEM
 AND OF THE PRAYER IN LINES 15-19, IS NOT EXACT.
 THE STANDING FIGURES ARE CONSTRUCTED FROM ROUGH AND HASTY
 NOTES AND NO ACCURACY IS CLAIMED.

FIG. 5.—Stela of Thethi: Lower left half.



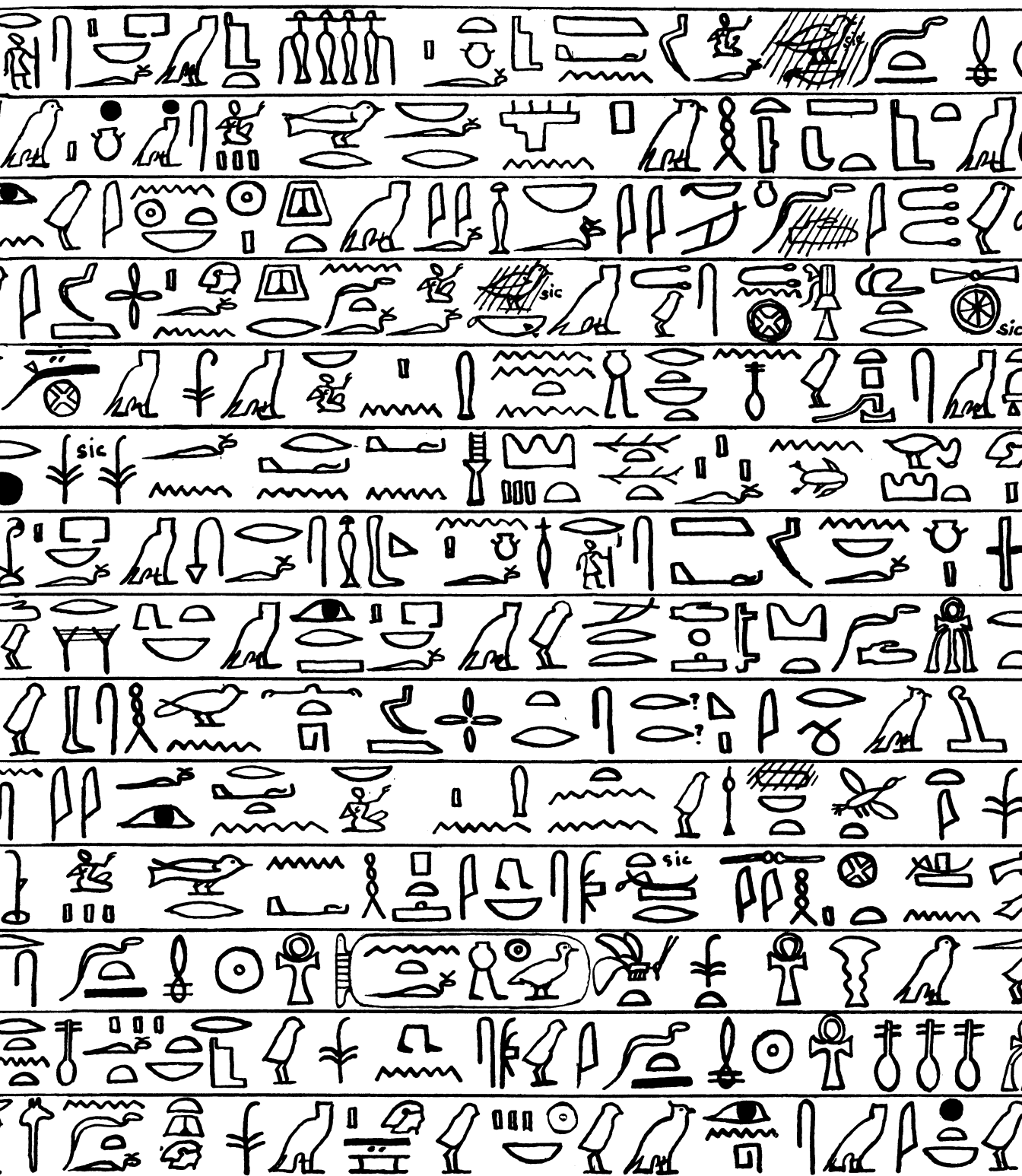
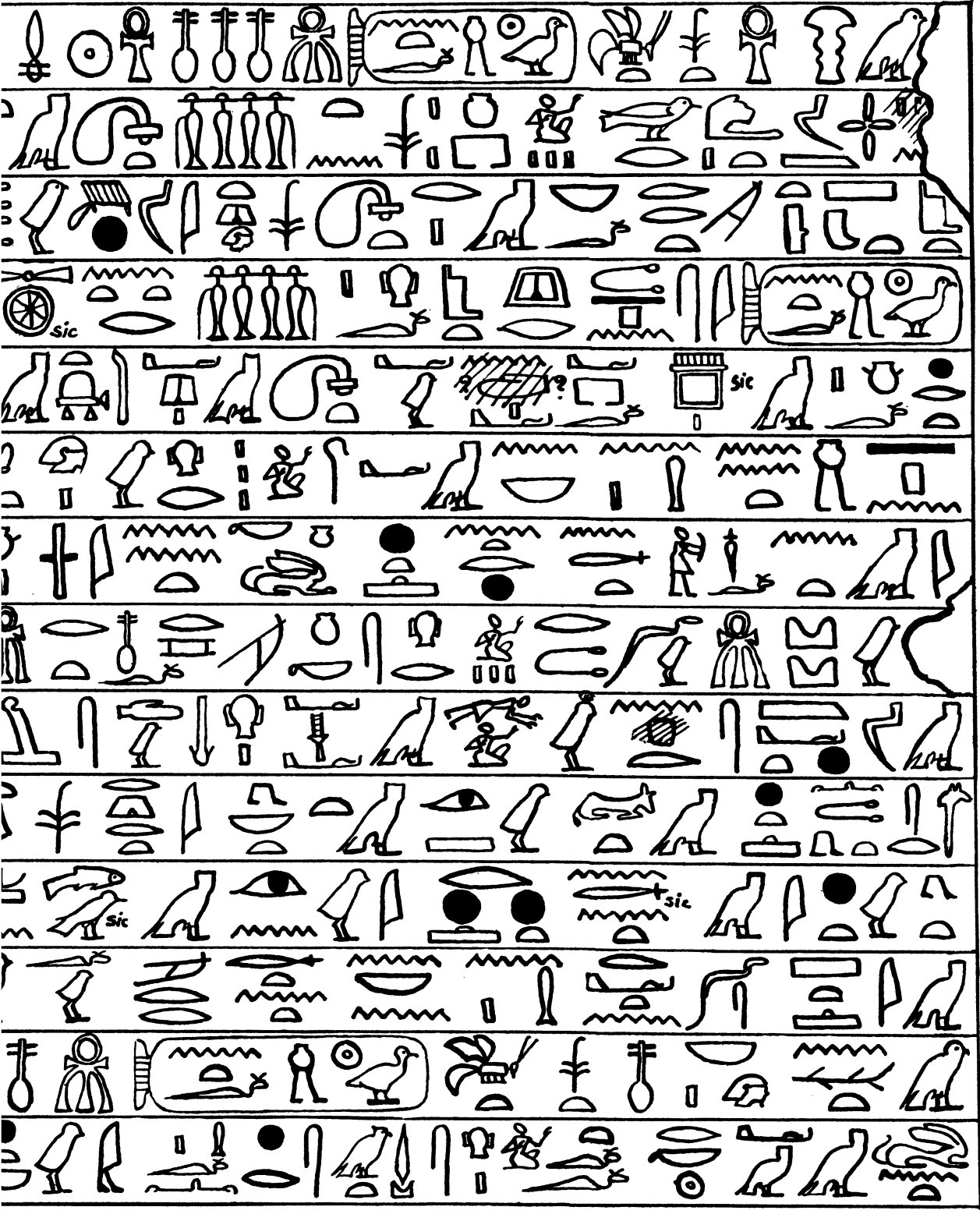


FIG. 6.—Stela of Thethi: Upper Portion, Biography.



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